

## MANY BUILDINGS GO UP IN SMOKE

Explosion of Dynamite Stops Progress of Flames at Gold Hill.

**SALISBURY, N. C., February 27.**—Fire of unknown origin at Gold Hill last night destroyed two store buildings and seven dwellings, entailing a loss of \$50,000 with no insurance. Among the buildings burned was the dwelling of J. J. Proctor, who lives on the corner of the street where the fire started. The family was absent, the dwelling and office of Dr. R. A. Shumacher, two houses and a livery stable belonging to W. L. Shaver, the Methodist church was damaged \$50, and several other buildings were slightly damaged. A number of dynamite in one of the store buildings effectually checked the spread of the flames.

**Covington—Broadbent.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
NEWTOWN, VA., February 27.—Up-Down King and Queen, Dr. C. H. Broadbent, was the scene of a marriage Thursday at high noon, when Miss Irene Hall Broadbent, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Broadbent, became the bride of John Austin Covington, of Stevensburg, Va.  
The bride entered with her maid of honor, Miss Mercer Broadbent, the best man was John Covington, brother of the groom. They were also attended by four groomsmen—Dr. C. H. Broadbent, of Culpeper; Courthouse, M. C. Barker, of Warrenton; Dr. Charles H. Broadbent, of Warrenton; and Robert McDonald, of Richmond. J. L. Lattin, of Richmond, officiated at the ceremony. Rev. Andrew Broadbent officiated.

**In Honor of Miss Stainback.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
BLACKSTONE, VA., February 27.—A card party was given Saturday evening by Miss Gladys Hethorn, at her home, Coniston Hall, near Blackstone, in honor of her friend, Miss Lela Stainback, of Wolfden, C. H. Progress, which was the amusement until 11 o'clock. Among those present were Miss Pauline Hethorn, Miss Marie Blackwell, Miss Gladys Hethorn, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hethorn, C. H. Hethorn, George Bridgforth, L. T. Bagley, D. N. Matthews, W. B. and W. V. Blackwell, H. B. and Garland Stokes, Major Irving L. Drewry and Scott Irby.

**Tudor—Perkins.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
WISE, N. C., February 27.—On Wednesday evening a marriage of much interest took place at the Tudor Church at Wise, when Sam A. Tudor was united in marriage to Miss Lela Perkins. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. V. Perkins, pastor of the church. Miss Carrie Dunn presided at the organ. During the assembling of the guests "O Promise Me" was sung by Mrs. J. R. Perkins. The bride was attended by her maid of honor, Miss Olive Torres. The groom was attended by his best man, John Vaughan. R. T. Perkins and Clarence Holloway were ushers.

**A Bride Party.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LOUISA, VA., February 27.—One of the handsomest and most enjoyable entertainments of the season was a progressive bridge party given by Mrs. W. E. Bibb at her elegant suburban home, "Schonburg," Friday evening. After a close and spirited contest the first woman prize, a gold bracelet, was won by Mrs. D. N. Walker. The first man's prize was won by Allan Plannagan, who was the only man to win a prize. The second woman prize was won by Miss Lela Perkins. The first man's prize was won by Allan Plannagan, who was the only man to win a prize. The second woman prize was won by Miss Lela Perkins.

**Mahugh—Mays.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., February 27.—Walter L. Mahugh and Miss Della M. Mays, both of Amherst county, were married at Pelham, N. C., Friday, and returned to Monroe yesterday.

**CRABBE—SELF.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
HEATHSVILLE, VA., February 27.—At the Methodist Episcopal parsonage here, yesterday, the pastor, Dr. C. H. Williams, officiating, John Lewis and Miss Lauretta Jones, both of Fairfield, were married.

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**Important Term Promised.**  
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LYNCHBURG, VA., February 27.—The March term of the Corporation Court, which will convene Monday, promises to be an interesting one from a criminal standpoint, though there will be less than ten indictments to come from the grand jury. The Wade murder case and the Dowdy-Creasy arson case and the appeal of Oscar Martin from conviction in the Police Court on a charge of perjury in the Wade murder case, will make the term of much interest locally.

**Bond Issue Contemplated.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., February 27.—The Common Council will, it is expected, be called upon at its meeting Thursday evening to consider the issuance of \$500,000 of bonds for street improvement and \$200,000 for a new high school and three grammar schools. It is generally believed the \$500,000 will be given to the streets and that one additional school building will be provided for this year, leaving the other three for next year.

**Will Build New Church.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
SALISBURY, N. C., February 27.—By order of the Executive Council of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod, which met in Salisbury this week, a new Lutheran church building will be erected at Monroeville at once. A desirable site for the edifice has already been purchased and the work of building will be done this year. The synod has resolved to build at least one church each year within the bounds of the North Carolina Synod.

**Work Is Resumed.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
SPEARHEAD, N. C., February 27.—Following the sale yesterday of \$1,000,000 of bonds, the Southern Railway Company today resumed regular work at its Spencer shops, adding Saturday to the list of working days. A number of additional men are also being called into the service in all departments, and it is stated that with the beginning of February the working hours for the employees will be increased from eight to nine hours per day.

**Motorman Discharged.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., February 27.—Jett Monger, the motorman operating the car which ran over and killed a seven-year-old girl in Rivermont last Monday, was tried in the Police Court today on the charge of criminal negligence. He was discharged the court holding that he did not commit a crime.

Saturday, where they were the guests of Mrs. William A. Thomas.  
Mrs. E. B. Leathersburg returned Wednesday from Oak Hill, where she visited her cousin, Mrs. E. B. Leathersburg. She has been the guest of Mrs. O. L. Parker at "The Elm".  
Mrs. E. B. Leathersburg has returned from Baltimore.  
Misses Hattie Kelley and Gaila Seaburg are visiting Mrs. William E. Stevenson of Norfolk.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stinson, of Glenwood, Howard county, Md., announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie Wardell, to Edward William Hopkins, of Onancock. The wedding will take place the latter part of April.  
Thomas W. Jarvis and Miss Edith M. Jarvis, after having spent several months with relatives on the Eastern Shore, left for their home in Sacramento, Cal., Monday.

**Lexington Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LEXINGTON, VA., February 27.—The Lexington Woman's Christian Temperance Union, held Frances E. Willard memorial services Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wilson, on Taylor Street.  
Colin M. Blake, of Tampa, Fla., a student at Washington and Lee University, is ill at Jackson, Miss. He is a native of Lexington. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Blake, arrived in Lexington Tuesday.  
President George E. Kessel, of Rockingham county, and Mrs. Kessel, were visitors in Lexington the past week. They have a son at Washington and Lee University.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Myers, of Eagle Grove, Iowa, are in Lexington visiting their brother, Joseph F. Myers.  
R. E. Vaughan, president of the First National Bank of Lexington, was a visitor at Hampton Roads last week, on the arrival of the Atlantic battleship fleet.

**Clover Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CLOVER, VA., February 27.—Virginia Howard, of Danville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Boudin, at this place.  
Mrs. W. E. Bradshaw is spending some time in Clifton Forge with her husband.  
Miss Annie Neal visited in South Boston, Wednesday.  
J. W. C. Daniel and G. R. Gibson spent several days this week in Richmond.  
Robert Hart, of New York, is in town visiting his parents.  
Mr. and Mrs. Willis Owens, of Charlottesville, visited at the home of W. H. Foy Sunday.  
Rev. Mr. Maxwell, Presbyterian minister of South Boston, will have a series of meetings here the first Sunday in March. Dr. L. M. Mason visited his wife in Danville, Sunday.  
Craig Gregory and Dick Hunt, of Drakes Branch, visited here Sunday.  
Walter Barksdale and Miss Haskins, teachers of the school, attended the educational meetings in South Boston, Friday and Saturday.

**Wakefield Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
WAKEFIELD, VA., February 27.—Superintendent W. W. Edwards visited the Wakefield Hospital last week, Mrs. Edwards accompanying him, visiting friends in town.  
Dr. Landon has returned with his bride, and they are receiving the congratulations of their friends.  
Dr. Hartman, for several years a physician of this place, is on a visit among his friends.  
Robert H. Hays, a student at Blackstone Academy, spent the Washington Birthday holiday with his parents.  
Mrs. J. J. Lincoln is visiting her sons at Eden College and Haw River, N. C., this week.  
E. W. Scarborough is installing a large engine at the powerhouse that he manages the entire town with electric lights.  
Briggs Richardson, cashier of the bank at Ivy, visited his mother last Sunday and Monday.  
A literary society of the Wakefield High School pupils was organized recently with thirty members.  
C. M. Branch, of Richmond, spent the holiday with friends on Wilson Avenue.

**White Plains Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
WHITE PLAINS, VA., February 27.—James Massey, of Ebony, who was recently operated on at the Virginia Hospital in Richmond, is at home.  
Bessie J. Joynt and Miss Ada Cornell were united in marriage at the home of the bride, near Broadbent, by Rev. John T. Payne.  
The remains of John Thomas, aged forty-five years, recently of Black Ridge, arrived at Broadbent today from Norfolk, Va.  
Thomas E. Gray and wife, of Philadelphia, Pa., who for the past two weeks have been on a visit to the city of Gray, of White Plains, will return Monday.

**Norwood Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
NORWOOD, VA., February 27.—Miss Mary J. Harlow, of Greenway, was the guest of the Misses Cunningham last week.  
Miss Anna Bolton, of Lynchburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents here.  
Lee Stearns, of Lynchburg, visited friends here Sunday.  
Misses Glenn and Garland Scruggs made a short visit to Lynchburg Thursday, returning on Friday.  
Hattie Scruggs spent the week with the Misses Harned.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Cunningham, William Cunningham, Misses Maude and Lee Cunningham and Genna Kidd visited Lynchburg this week.  
C. I. Johnson, after visiting Cuba and Florida, has arrived home.

**Berryville Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
BERRYVILLE, VA., February 27.—Friday afternoon Frances E. Willard memorial services were held in the auditorium of the High School, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.  
Thursday and Friday a bazaar was held in Winston Hall by the women of the Baptist church for the purpose of raising funds to install electric lights in the church.  
On Friday evening a program was given at the courthouse under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy.  
George Cunningham, of Pocahontas, is here on a visit to his father, George J. Cunningham.  
Charles M. Brown, of the law firm of McCormick, Henson and Brown, of Roanoke, was here a few days this week.

**Norton Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
NORTON, VA., February 27.—T. R. Kelly, of Bedford, spent Saturday and Sunday with Professor J. H. Ashworth. Miss Laura Ashworth, of Colburn, and Miss Ida Thorn, of Blandtown, attended the play here Friday night.  
George W. Cook, a civil and mining engineer of this place, has accepted a position at Pocahontas.  
Charles Connor, former proprietor of the Blackhawk Hotel, now of the Blackhawk Hotel, of West Virginia, has been spending a few days in town.  
Saturday evening Professor Ashworth and Miss Lawson, teachers in the High School, assisted by Misses Harris and Pollard, gave their pupils a social in the hall of the school.  
Rev. T. S. Hamilton, of Bluefield, and Mr. Ramsey, of Nashville, are conducting a revival service at the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

**Stuarts Draft Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
STUARTS DRAFT, VA., February 27.—Miss Lela Black has returned from an extended visit to friends in Baltimore, Washington and Culpeper, accompanied by Miss Melvin, of Charlottesville, Va.  
B. F. Printz and family will move to Roanoke next month.  
Rev. L. M. Copeland, pastor of the Baptist Church, has received a call to a church near Lynchburg.  
Newton Moore, of Timberville, paid a visit to his son, C. H. Moore.  
Miss Nettie Dickson, of Staunton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Will Chesney.

**Talleyville Social News.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
TALLEYVILLE, VA., February 27.—The Board of Supervisors will meet next Tuesday, and much business is to be done. The board will select a new supervisor for the roads and will make arrangements for the repairing of buildings of a new courthouse.  
Pleasant Votey returned from Richmond Wednesday.  
Walter Timberlake has been sick for several days.  
W. A. Apperson has been suffering with the grip.  
R. H. Apperson, Jr., will visit Richmond next week.

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"What shall we get this year in the way of Curtains, Draperies & Floor Coverings?" is the question that's being asked in every home about this time.

Easy enough to answer if housekeepers will come to Miller & Rhoads.

We've been storekeeping many years, but never have we had a prettier collection of Curtains & Draperies than this season—the same praise can be accorded our stock of Matings & Matting Rugs.

You'll be wonderfully and agreeably surprised at the cheapness with which you can do this furnishing. A half hour spent in our third floor department looking at the new things will be a revelation to you as it was to the writer.

### The New Curtains

The handsomest Novelty Net Curtains you've ever seen at \$2 pair are here. Patterns suitable for dining-rooms, libraries & living rooms; Arabian only & worth \$2.50 a pair. We repeat that our special price is \$2.00. Nothing like this in Richmond.

Madras Curtains, in etamine weaves, fast colors, reds & greens, very effective, 75c pair.

Novelty Net Curtains, in red, green and Arabian. These Curtains are a regular \$1.50 quality. Our price is, pair, \$1.00.

New Nottingham Curtains, white only, 3-1/2 yards long, large line of good patterns, \$1 & \$1.25 pair.

Very striking examples of Japanese handcraft will be found in our Bamboo, Glass & Rice Bead Curtains in an almost endless variety of colors and patterns. The Curtains are \$2, \$2.50 & \$3 each, and the prices exceptionally low.

Muslin Curtains, 3 yards long, pretty patterns, 50c, 75c, 80c & \$1 pair.

Madras Curtains, in etamine weaves, with the new stripe effect on the side; very best value, \$1.50 pair.

### See These Draperies!

You'll have to do so to fully appreciate their beauty & exceptional cheapness in price.

New Cretonnes, 19c yard, in the handsomest patterns you ever saw. Copies of old English prints that retail from 50c to 75c a yard. Our price, as we said, is 19c yard.

Hungarian & Roumanian Cloths, in Oriental tapestry patterns, will also be popular, 35c yard.  
Belast Linen, in large floral & fruit designs, is another drapery that is appealing to many decorators, 35c yard.  
Arabian Novelty Net, 48 inches wide, is a particularly good value at 25c yard.  
Casement Cloths, in prettily designed patterns, 12-1/2c yard.

### Crex Rugs: China & Jap. Matting

Crex is one of the wonderful inventions of the past few years. It's a triumph of inventive skill to take the common grass of the western prairies & so treat it as to make a handsome, serviceable floor covering—that's Crex.

Wears better than anything of like nature, & an occasional scrubbing gives it new life—water toughens the fibre.

**CREX RUGS.**  
18x30 inches..... 35c  
30x60 inches..... \$1.00  
6x9 feet..... \$4.00  
8x10 feet..... \$6.00  
9x12 feet..... \$7.50

Heavy China Matting Rugs, 9x12 feet, plain centres with red, green & blue borders, regular \$5.50. \$6.75 quality.....

Japanese Matting Rugs, 36x72 inches, all colors; a special value, 50c.

Woven Japanese Matting Rugs, 36x72 inches, in tans, reds, greens & blues; all \$1.25 values for 75c.

Heavy China Matting, all colors, laid on your floor for 25c yard. Prices quoted on all Matings include laying.

Extra heavy China Matting, all colors, fine checks, plaids, and stripes, usual 35c grade, 28c for.....

Best quality China Matting, any color or pattern, 35c yard.

New Japanese Matting, carpet patterns; one of our "specials," 25c yard.

Extra good quality Japanese Matting, all colors, 30c yard.

## New Laces A Complete Stock

Lowest Prices in Richmond

Fashionable women to-day are making their own Neckwear—hand-made Neckwear being quite the thing.

Narrow Venice, Irish Point, Medici & Cluny Laces in cotton and linen are used for this purpose.

You'll find these and many more Laces in this department acknowledged everywhere to be the leading one in the South.

### Laces for All Dress Purposes. Lowest Prices

Medici and Cluny Laces, in very pretty patterns, unusually low in price, at 10c yard.

Persian Chantilly, Insertions & Edges to match, on both white & black grounds.

One of the daintiest & most fashionable trimmings for the new net & soft silk waists as well as entire dresses, 25c yard.

Net Bands, 2-1/2 inches wide, wisteria & gold on white & black net; also reseda & gold on white net.

One of the most effective trimmings ever sold for 80c yard.

White & Cream Tucked Nets, 36 inches wide, handsome laces, \$1 yard.

White & Eerie Venice Medallions, in the new boules, fringe & button effects. One medallion is a sufficient trimming for the front of a waist, \$1.15 each.

The new Vermicelli & Dotted effects, in 42-inch Nets are much in demand for yokes, sleeves, waists & entire dresses, \$1.25 yard.

Gold & silver stripes on White Net & gold stripes on Black Net, 20 inches wide, \$2.25 yard.

## Exhibit of Exclusive Spring Suits!

In our spacious Suit Section we will offer this week some of the newest French ideas in Two- and Three-Piece Suits—only one suit of a kind—NO DUPLICATES.

Women who wish to enjoy an exclusive costume will welcome this opportunity.

Satin Surface Cloths and Silks will of course predominate, and among the fashionable colors will be wisteria, peacock, taupe, reseda, old rose, &c.

Prices range between \$49.50 & \$85—only one of a style.

## Below Will Be Found a Few of Our Popular Price Suits for Spring

And May We Say That for Value We Haven't Seen Their Equal

**"Step Cut" SUITS**  
The very latest style in Women's Spring Suits. Fancy Stripe Panamas, Worsteds & French Serges. \$19.50

**WORSTED SUITS**  
Great values for women of medium & large figures. Medium weight Worsteds, in black and navy, 45-inch coats, with a plaited back. \$21.50

The skirt is flared, & exceptionally stylish looking. Everything about these suits denotes skillfulness in cutting & care in finish, \$21.50.

**\$15 to \$19.50 SUITS**  
Greatest values in medium and light-weight Worsteds, Diagonals & Panama Suits you'll find in Richmond for \$13.75.